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Every drop counts!

# WELL APPLICATION / REGISTRATION EXISTING AND NEW EXEMPT WELLS

**NOTE:** This form is for registering all exempt wells in existence prior to **February 1, 2002** and all new exempt wells. **Refer to the back of this form for a definition of an exempt well and select which exemption is applicable.**

ALL non-exempt wells must complete the N1 or N2 Application for Permit.

**Check one of the following:**

**EXISTING WELL—Exempt (date drilled: \_\_\_\_\_)**

**NEW WELL—Exempt**

**REPLACEMENT WELL—Exempt**

## 1. Owner Information

Well Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or P.O. Box) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

## 2. Well Location

Contact Person (if other than owner): \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or P.O. Box)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Bell CAD Property ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Acreage: \_\_\_\_\_ Latitude: \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude: \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Well Use & Description

Attach a map or drawing showing proposed location(s) of the well(s) and the distance to the well(s) from the property lines, other wells, and septic systems. **New exempt wells must be a minimum distance of 50 feet from all property line and 100 feet from other wells.** Refer to Rule 9.5 for spacing requirements for all wells. If this is a replacement well, indicate location of well that is being replaced and distance from the proposed well. Replacement wells must be within 30 feet of existing well. **Abandoned wells must be properly capped or plugged in accordance with state law and district rules.**

**Provide the following information:**

a. Well Use: Domestic: \_\_\_\_\_, Total number of houses to be serviced by the well: \_\_\_\_\_.

Monitoring: \_\_\_\_\_; Dewatering: \_\_\_\_\_; Leachate: \_\_\_\_\_; Test Well: \_\_\_\_\_

Other, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

b. If the well is an existing well, is it currently in use? YES NO

c. Pump capacity (gal/minute): \_\_\_\_\_ d. Estimated Depth: \_\_\_\_\_ e. Water Bearing Formation: \_\_\_\_\_

**District Rule 9.3.3: a Water Quality Assessment is required for new wells. Please contact District Staff to coordinate retrieval of the water sample within 45 days of well completion.**

**District Staff will review the information submitted and will notify the applicant/driller upon approval/denial. DRILLING IS NOT AUTHORIZED UNTIL STAFF APPROVAL IS GIVEN.**

*By submitting this document, I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name of Owner or Designee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Required: Pump Installer / Well Driller Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

TDLR Well Driller's License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

TDLR Pump Installer's License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Street or P.O. Box  
\_\_\_\_\_

Comments/notes: \_\_\_\_\_

City

State

Zip Code  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

### **EXEMPT WELLS**

#### **A. An exempt well includes the following (please check the applicable exemption):**

- 1. Domestic well:
  - a) A water well used for domestic purposes or for watering livestock or poultry that is drilled, equipped, or completed so that it is incapable of producing more than 25,000 gallons per day, and is located on a tract of land 10 acres or larger.
  - b) A well that meets the requirements above, but is located on a tract of land 10 acres or less may still be considered exempt if the tract existed in this configuration prior to March 1, 2004 and no subdivision of the tract occurs prior to drilling.
- 2. Dewatering well, Leachate well, or Monitor well.
- 3. Texas Railroad Commission well:
  - a) A water well used solely to supply water for a rig that is actively engaged in drilling or exploration operations for an oil or gas well permitted by the Railroad Commission of Texas provided the person holding the permit is responsible for drilling and operating the water well and it is located on the same lease or field associated with the drilling rig.
  - b) A water well permitted by the Railroad Commission of Texas under Chapter 134, Texas Natural Resources Code or for production from such a well to the extent the withdrawals are required for mining activities regardless of any subsequent use of the water.

#### **B. A well exempted under provisions A.3 above must apply for a permit and comply with all District rules if:**

- 1. The purpose of the well is no longer solely to supply water for a rig that is actively engaged in drilling or exploration operations for an oil or gas well permitted by the Railroad Commission of Texas; or
- 2. The withdrawals are no longer necessary for mining activities or are greater than the amount necessary for mining activities specified in the permit issued by the Railroad Commission of Texas under Chapter 134, Natural Resources Code.

#### **C. An entity holding a permit issued by the Railroad Commission of Texas under Chapter 134, Natural Resources Code, authorizing the drilling of a water well shall report monthly to the District:**

- 1. The total amount of water withdrawn during the month;
- 2. The quantity of water necessary for mining activities; and
- 3. The quantity of water withdrawn for other purposes.

#### **D. Water wells exempted under any of the provisions above are required to be:**

- 1. Registered in accordance with rules of the District; and
- 2. Equipped and maintained per the District rules requiring installation of casing, pipe, and fittings to prevent the escape of groundwater from a groundwater reservoir to any reservoir not containing groundwater and to prevent the pollution of water in any groundwater reservoir.
- 3. Capped or plugged if any of the conditions identified in District Rule 12.5 occur.

#### **E. Refer to District Rule 6.3 for additional provisions regarding exempt wells.**

#### **F. Refer to District Rule 9.3 for additional provisions regarding construction standards and water quality assessment.**

**District Rule 9.3 and TDLR Administrative Code, all State of Texas Well Reports must be submitted to TDLR and CUWCD within 60 days of well completion.**